(b) whether any proposal to set up a coach/wagon factory on the said surplus land is under consideration, and

(c) whether any proposal to make Bhatani Railway Station a terminal railway station is also under consideration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) There is no surplus Railway land in possession of Railways at Bhatani Railway Station on North Eastern Railway. The land presently lying vacant at this Station shall be utilised for future developments at the Station.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(Translation)

Hindi Typewriters and Computers

624 SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether Hindi typewriters and computers are totally ignored in our own country and priority is being accorded to English and electronic typewriters and computers;

(b) whether some changes are deliberately made in Hindi key-board to discourage the developments of Hindi typewriters and computers; and

(c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) (a) No, Sir. The use of Hindi typewriters and bilingual (Hindi-English) electronic typewriters/computers is increasing continuously in Central Government Offices. According to the instruction of the Department of Official Language it is necessary for the Ministries/Departments and other offices to purchase only bilingual mechanical/electronic equipment and computer.

(b) No, Sir. The fact is that the key-boards only of manual typewriters (Hindi-English) are available on all bilingual electronic typewriters. Therefore, there is no problem of key-board in such typewriters. On the other hand, the provision of manual typewriter key-board is available for computers to work in English only. For working in Hindi on computers with GIST technique, the phonetic key-board is available. There are some word processor packages in which both the manual as well as phonetic key-boards are available. It is very easy to operate the phonetic key board. An operator can work on this key-board efficiently with a training/practice of hardly one week. For training on this key-board, the Department of Official Language already arranged to develop a self-tutor software through which any operator can train himself.

(c) Does not arise.

Crimes in Delhi

625. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether incidents pertaining to pick-pocketing, rape and testing/molestation with the women and playing of obscene audio-cassettes in the private buses in the National Capital Region - Delhi have attained an alarming proportion;

(b) the details of such cases identified in Delhi during the last three years till date;

(c) the action taken against the persons involved in such cases during the said period; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to avoid recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) (a) and (b) No, Sir. The number of such cases reported in Delhi during the years 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996 (upto 30.6.96) is as under:

Crime Head	1993	1994	1995	1996
Pick Pocketing	233	278	392	201
Rape	-	1	3	1
Eve-teasing	14	18	63	7
Molestation of women	7	11	12	86
Playing of obscene audio-Cassettes	-	-	3	-

(c) The information is given in the enclosed statement.

(d) Following steps have been taken to check/prevent these crimes:

(i) Staff in plain clothes is detailed to check such incidents at Bus Stands as well as in Buses.

(ii) Patrolling parties have been briefed to keep close watch at Bus Stands while patrolling in the area.

(iii) Traps are being laid to apprehend the accused during peak hours.

(iv) A drive has been launched to make it compulsory for both the driver and the conductor to wear PSV (Public Safety Vehicles) Badges, which is given only to those who have undergone police verification. This would eliminate unverified persons manning the buses in Delhi.

STATEMENT

Year	Number of persons Arrested	Number of persons Convicted	Number of persons Acquitted	Number of persons against whom cases are Pending Trial	Number of persons against whom cases are Pending Investigation	Number of Persons Discharged
			PICK POCKETING			
1993	160	43	26	79	-	12
1994	184	39	26	111	-	8
1995	260	20	22	192	4	22
1996 (upto 30 6 96)	126	1	3	80	38	4
			RAPE			
1993	-	-	-	-	-	-
1994	3	-	3	-	-	-
1995	6	-	-	6	-	
1996 (upto 30 6 96)	3	-	-	3	-	-
			EVE-TEASING			
1993	18	15	-	3	-	-
1994	21	17	-	4	-	-
1995	77	60	-	17	-	-
1996 (upto 30 6 96)	8	7	-	1	-	-
			MOLESTATION OF WOMEN			
1993	11	-	1	10	-	-
1994	15	2	2	11	-	-
1995	24	1	3	18	2	-
1996 (upto 30 6 96)	7	-	-	6	1	-
			PLAYING OF OBSCENE AUDIO-CASSETTES			
1993	-	-	-	-	-	-
1994	-	-	-	-	-	-
1995	3	3	-	-	-	-
1996 (upto 30 6 96)	-	-	-	-	-	-

[English]

Bridge between Bagaha and Chhitauni

626 DR M.P JAISWAL Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the amount allocated for the construction of broad gauge Railway and Road Bridge between Bagaha and Chhitauni in Bihar has been diverted to other States and the work has been shelved,

(b) if so, the reasons therefor,

(c) whether Government propose to complete the project in the near future; and

(d) if so, the time scheme within which the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.